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I ask that you choose the dredging and removal option. My fear is that "natural recovery" or "enhanced natural recovery" is actually very dangerous to Portlanders -- especially in the event of a large earthquake.

If a large earthquake occurred in the region -- which is quite likely -- the sediment in the superfund site will be greatly disturbed and release toxins into the environment. Considering that Portlanders won't have good access to drinking water after the earthquake -- and many people are likely to come in close contact with the river after the earthquake (I.e., crossing it or even drinking from it) -- the possibility of a massive post-earthquake environmental disaster is frightening. It seems the only way to eliminate this risk is to thoroughly dredge the site. Covering or allowing sediment to wash the site will not prevent an environmental disaster after the Cascadian earthquake.

Thank you,

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